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New Deputy District Ranger Joins Salmon-Challis N.F.

Karen Dunlap has recently joined the Salmon-Challis National Forest as Deputy District Ranger stationed at the Leadore Ranger Station. She will have duties across the north zone of the forest, including at Salmon-Cobalt and North Fork Districts. Karen comes to the area most recently from the Ottawa National Forest in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, where she has been the Environmental Coordinator for 7 years.

Karen has worked in several locations around the country for the Forest Service over the past 13 years, including the Ft. Pierre National Grassland in South Dakota, the Hiawatha National Forest in Michigan, and the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests in Arizona in a variety of positions from range management to public affairs. "I love coming to new areas, meeting new people and dealing with the unique challenges each place has," Karen said. "I am particularly happy to get back to the west and live in the mountains again." Karen graduated from Lincoln University in Missouri, with a bachelor's degree in Natural Resource Management with emphasis in Range and Wildlife.

Karen's husband, Sean Dunlap, also works for the Forest Service as an Aquatic Ecologist. He will be working for a national database group, as well as continuing to complete projects for the Ottawa National Forest. Karen and Sean have settled in Salmon, along with their 3 year-old daughter named Maeve and 6 year-old welsh corgi named Kacie.